AUCTION SALES.

DUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE. As administrator de bonis non with the will

annexed of Richard O. Shirley, deceased. I will other for sale at Gaineaville, in Prince William county, on SATURDAY, August 28th, 1880, at 11 o'cleer a. m. -1. The HOUSE, at Gainesville, recently occu-

pled by Mrs Eusan Shirley, deceased, with out buildings, and FIFTY AND A HALF ACKES The land is in a good state of cultivation and mostly cleared; the buildings are

in good order

. A THACT OF TWO HUNDRED AND
SEVENTY-OSE ACRES OF LAND, adjoining Gainesville on the right hand side of the
road leading from Gainesville to Brentsville, ad on the left side of the road from Gainesville This land has a new and valuable DWELLING HOUSE on it, with out buildings and a blacksmith shop. This is all very desirable property, situated at Gainesville, a thriving

village.
Terms of Sale: One fourth cash; the residue in three equal annual instalments, the purchasers giving bonds, with approved personal security, tearing interest from the day of sale, and the title to be retained until the last payment has seen made.

H. F. LYNN, Adm'r. de bonis non w. w. r. of R. O. Shirley, deed. Prince William co., jy19-twtd

CALE OF REAL ESTATE IN FAIRFAX COUNTY.-By virtue of a decrea rendered the suit of Cording's adm'rs. vs. Utterback, have pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county) at the June term, 1810 of said court, the undersigned, special commissioner therein named, will, on MONDAY, the 16th day of August 18:0 (court day), at 12 o'clock m., before the door of the Court House, sell to the highest hidder, at 10b ic auction, that certain TRAUT OF LAND, lying in said county, near the village of Centraville, containing ONE the village of Centreville, containing ONE BUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN ACRES AND ONE BALF, (1171), more or less, for-merly owned by E. D. Utterback, and adjoining the lands of Thomas N. Stewart and others. The said real estate is without buildings, but of good quality and susceptible of ready improve-

Terms of Sale: One tenth of the purchase money to be paid in hand on the day of sale as a deposit, tiable to be forfeited and the land rea deposit, datic to be forfeited and the land re-dd if the terms of sale are not complied with: the residue in three equal payments at its livelye and eighteen mentles, with interest from no day of sale. To be secured by the bonds of he pure meer, and retention of the title until the whole of the purchase money shall be paid. THOMAS MOORE.

Special Com'mr. of Sale SALE OF BEAL ESTATE IN FAIRFAX

COUNTY.
Country.
Coun ly, in the suit of Charles Potter and others against William Johnston and others, the unand others. Parties desiring a more particular description or wishing to view the land are re-terred to Mr. Charles Potter, who lives in the vicenity.

Terms of Sale: Knough cash to pay costs of enit and expenses of sale; the residue of the pur-mass money in three equal annual instalments. secured by the purchaser's notes, with good personal security, and bearing interest from day of sale; the little to be retained till the last payment - mada. B. W. MOORE, Commissioner of Sale.

Ino. W. Mohler, Aunctioneer. . jy14-w1w

FUNUSTRE'S SALE IN FAIRFAX-By vir. tuo of a deed of trust from J. D. Crocker and wife, dated Aug. 12th, 1874, and duly realed in the land records of Fairfax county. all offer for sale by public suction, in front of the Court House door, at Fairfax C. H., on MONDAY, August 16th, 1880, (court day) at 12 m., the TRACE OF LAND conveyed by the ve deed, containing 131 and St-100 acres, lyroad leading from Lewensville to egley, adjoining the lands of Smoot, Peacock tothers, and known as the "Dorr Crocker" Ferms of Sale: Cash

NAAMAN PEACOCK, Trustee. Fairfex county, Va . July 12-wts\*

(10 M MISSIONERS' SALE VERY DESIRABLE FARM

UPPER FAUQUIER. By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of or county, pronounced on the 14th day of 1380, in the chancery suit of Kector's Rector, the undersigned, commissionsale, will call, at public auction to the shest bidder, in front of the store and waresa of Thomas Glasscock and C. H. Walker, Red rlown station, in Fauquier county, Va., WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of August, the following trees of land, being the real of the late Thomas William Rector: A TRACT OF LAND, lying in the coun-

Pauquier containing 170 acres.
ONE HALF OF AN UNDIVIDED TRACT OF LAND, in London county, Va., containing 55 acres, with a lot of four acres ad-

farm of 1.0 acres, in Pauduler county, known as one of the most productive and ble farms in upper Familier. It is sit midway between Regions wa and Upperin the heart of the blue grass section c ier, 25 miles from Rectortown station, W. M. K. K. The land is of the first quality, a desirable neighborhood, well watered, weled and in good condition; ten acres in timand the remainder cleared; twenty acres of eared land are in cultivation; the remaingood blue grass There are on the farm new and comfortable DWELLING and other inprovements, all in good repair; a spring of or failing free stone water near the dwelling, and a young peach, and apple orchard of choice more desirable farm in the blue grass

The farm in Loudeun county is well lecated desirable neighborhood, half a mile from strille; the land of first quality, 4 acres in in; the remainder well set in grass. The DWELLING HOUSE is comfortable.

of upper Fauguier seldom comes into

in cash; the residue in three equal annuments. For the deferred payments the her to execute bonds, with approved percounty, to bear interest from the let day Suary, 1851; the title will be retained until payment is made, and the land resolt at the purchaser if the terms of sale be arplied with.

orms are rented for the current yar The purchasers will have seeding prois year as to the land in cultivation sion on the first of January, 1881

W. A. HUDSON, Com'r JOHN H. ALEXANDER, Familier county, jy 7-ts

## OSCAR F. BAGGETT,

Dealer in First Class

al street wing. parts of the city.

TO THE TRADE

JOHN A. FIELD. 1s Agent for ALLEN & CO.'S RICHMOND GEM CIGARETTES and other goods; also FELGNERS & SON'S HERB DE LA REIM (as nas throughout the country. Ga the con the American

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## TRI-WEEKLY EDITION.

A Sult with a Romance. There is now pending in the courts of Obio a suit involving several millions of dollars in real estate, and which, besides bringing some of the most preminent men in the country, including Tilden and others, forward as contestants, has an intersaly remantic history connected with it, in which a Maryland family constitute the princommand of a privateer, which was captured by the British. Captain Ford was taken cap tive and placed in Dartmoor prison, where he remained for sometime, but finally escaped by tunneling his way out. He went to Sweden, and after the close of the war returned to Balti more, having been good about three years. On his return he found his wife living in good style. He also found that there was an addition to his household in the person of a lovely little girl, whom his neighbors said was the captain's and Mrs. Ford's chili, but whom some of their most intimate requisintances, is is alleged, declared was an illegitimate child. The captain and his wife, however, claimed the

chi'd as their own offspring. Capt. Ford did not long remain inscive, but soon after his return fi ted out a slaver and made several trips to Africa, Itadiae his living eargees in this country as Cherles on, Savannah, and some is said to have become jenous of him. Capt. Ford then left the house again, and went West. where he licated a number of land warrants, among which was one at the Indian block house, or fort, at the mouth of the Maumee river, then (1817) a wilderness, now the size of the city of dersigned, commissioner thereby appointed, on MONDAY, the 15th day of August, 1880. Tolede. It is over the ownership of this prep (Court day) at 12 o'ce com, will proceed to sell erly that the suits are pending. Captain Ford, at public and lor, before the door of the Court after an absence of three years, came to Balti flour, of sail county, the REAL ESTATE of given one; more, but finding his wife determine? which the late James Potter died seized, being TWO TRACTS OF LAND, containing 126 and to acres respectively. This land lies in Mount Vernon Unitries, Fairfix county, near Accotink Mills, and adjoins the lands of Charles Potter 1822 when he died intestate. His only kics peor le so far as known, were his wife, Lovey, his mother and sisters, living in one of the New England Stater, and his so called child, the little girl, whose name was Emoline.

In 1833 or 1834 persons from the West came here and commerced a search for the heirs of Capt. Ford. To these persons it was alleged that Mrs. Buskirt, or Ford, represented that Emeline was the leritimate and only shild of and possesses so many points of interest that it the Toledo land to them, she coused Emeline whether the tourist be geologist, botanist, of money. There was living with Mrs. Buskir a sister named E iz both Ward, who, it is and, wishing to made the most of it, he ought claimed, begg d Mrs. Baskirt to undeceive not to be disappointed. Of all its accient monu-Emiline and to tell her whose child she really ments, not one better repays a visit than King was, so that a fraud upon the purchasers of the Arthue's Castle, in the parish of Tintagel, or

growing importance of Toledo, inquired as to is a supposed stronghold of that wonderful Aruncilc'esed. After investigating to some extent down to us through ages and ages now past, and Capt. Ford's life, this second party came to the who has at less been immortalized in verse by and u-ion that the captain had left no legiti. the laurante. Here between "the thundering nate obildren, and so purchased the title of s at some of his agenta here to see that the itle was clear. These agents found the marriage record of Capt. Ford and Lovey Buskirt in old St. Paul's parish record. After a great deal of fighting in the Onio courts between the where of the two titles, the case was finally decreed in favor of the Baltimore title, depend ions having been returned to the yourt alleging that Eistbeth Ward had swore that Emeline was the legitimate daughter of Capt. Ford and his wife Lovey.

About a year afterwards, however, Eizibeth Ward, who was then married to a man named Johasso, and was living near Marion, a few miles from Utrisfield, Somersot county, Md. aw an account of the decision in a Baltimore paper, and was heard to declare that a great wrong had been committed, and that she and she alone could right it. To Mr. John II. Handy, of this city, and Mr. Lyman, a Wostern awyer, who called to see her, she refused to disclose anything as to who the real parents of the child were, but persisted in saying that sho had never said Kmeline was the daughter of her sister, whereupon Mr. Hyman filled z petiion to set aside the decree on the ground that it was obtained by forged and fraudulent testi-

Judge Tilden, a cousin of Samuel J. Tilden, and the principal person concerned, then brought suit to recover possession of the property lest by the decree; after which Judge Irving, of this Scate, by special commission, took testimony to sestain the case. After a great deal of hard a diskillful work Mr. Handy succeeded at last in 1877, in getting Mrs. Johnson nee Elizabeth Ward, to make a statement in which one acknowledges that Emeline was her own daughter, the child of an Irish sea captain who frequented Captain Ford's house To cover her sister's disgraced Capt, Ford's wife had declared to the world that Emeline was her own child, and as such she lived for many

years.
And so at last the secret was disclosed. Emeline was married to a former captain of an oyster pungy, who is now living in this city. Her mother, Elizabeth Ward, died at her house, in Somerset county, last year. Mrs. Buskirt has been dead many voirs.

A greet railway depot has been built on the Toledo property under the Baltimore title, and. t is said, nearly 300 dwellings. It comprises almost all of the Fifth ward of that city. A large number of persons are directly or indirectly concerned in the case -Balt. Sun

THE DISMAL SWAMP,-A Virginia paper tel's some things which are not generally known when loosened falling almost to the floor when about the Dismal Swamp. It is not a vast bog, sunk liw in the ground, into which the drainage of the surrounding country flows. On the contrary it is above the level ground some fif-REEF, VEAL, LAMB, MUTTON, Gentecu or tweny feet, as was demonstrated by CORNED BEEF a specialty. actual surveys. Instead of being a receptacle stalls S and 9 Centre Market, Royato which rivers and streams enter and flow, it Marketing delivered tree of charge to all h in reality an immense reservoir that, in his of this audacious and secretaring theft, but ast sponge like bulk, gathers the waters that there was no positive proof of her guilt. There all from the heavens and pours then into the we defferent sivers which flow enward to the a. Any one would imagine that the Dismat as a veritable chargel house that spreads its

timber. There is absolutely no decomposed wood; one sees trees lying around the forests and swamps. The two principal woods that grow in the p'ace are the juniper and express, which never rot. They fall prone on the ground like other trees, but, instead of the wood decomposing, it turns into peat, and lies indissoluble by air or water for ages perfectly sound. There is nothing in the swamp to create missma; no rising of the tides and decomposition of rack vegetables; no marshes exposed to the burning rays of the suc. All is fresh and sweet, and the air is laden with as sweet odors as the fra- Springs. of the pine and degwood. In the auto-bellum days all planters were anzious to hire their | The General is expected to speak at the demoslaves to shingle makers in the swamp on account of its healthfulness. Mr. Reddick, a well hown contractor, says he worked a gang of 50 Miss Lila S. Washington, who has been on a hands in the Dismal, getting shingles, and in all that time there was not a single case of ague and fever. I have seen numerous affidavits of overseers and agents who have lived in the "Brother Hugh Lutham, P. G. M. and P. G. President Hayes, Chief Justice Waite, Judge overseers and agents who have lived in the swamp their whole lifetime, and they never knew a death caused by missma or a solitary instance of ague and fever. The air is pure and cipal characters. The story goes that some hus by the juniper, is as potent a medical drick time in the year 1812 a Captain Ford, of Balti- as is to be found at the femous watering places more, was married to one Lovey Buskirt, a widow, formerly Miss Lovey Ward, of Somerset causty, Md. Shortly after his marriage Capt. Ford is said to have left Baltimore in because it keeps fresh and clear for years. It is a strong and invigorating tonic with a pleas-

Alexandria in 1789.

The following was published in the Gozafte several years previous to the late war: A stranger here, I ranged the stroots about. To view inhabitants what they're about. Some poor, some rich, they rove from street to

sireet. And, generally, in their dress, are nest. Some stores and shops make here a pompons show,

Others are not so full, as you may know. The people here to strangers kind, As, by their conversation you may find. Visitors here are us'd palitely well, As some by their experience can tel The buildings here are generally neat; The streets well paved, which makes walking complete.

I've seen their houses where they preach and pray,

But the congregation is small on stormy day. For modes of faith they need not here to fight, As all may got as they thick best or right. At different worships still are numbers there, Who seek for heaven by victuous sees and

brayer. I've seen their place of education, too. Where ways of virtue to their youth they show, And teach the young ideas how to shoot, Hoping thereafter they will bring good fruit. Their foreign trade has here been sore distress'd, By insidious foes whom they once cares'd: Their ships were taken and their cargoes too; Which teach that man to man is seldem true. 'Tis hop'd this growing country will be Of all that's pexious totally free,

KING ARTHUR'S CASTLE,-The county of Cornwall is so rion and varied in its soonery, Capt. Ford, and selling her downy interest in well repays a visit in the summer months; are mologist or simply 'out for a holiday, Mesawhile, another party, observing the Dundagil, as it is written by old chroniclers. It he little to Pord's property, then vacant and thur whose sayings and doings have been handed shores of Bule and Boss," at "Wild Dundagil he property from Capt. Ford's mother and sis- by the Cornish Sea," the infant Arthur was by ere. In the course of time it happened that a fearning wave cast up and left when it re Ber. Wade got an interest in the property, and treated high, if not dry, on the sandy beacht least so says Tennyson in his "Lights of the King." That such a person as Arthur ever ex isted, except in the misds of the poets and legend mongers, we are allowed to doubt, and that ie, if existing, ever resided at this Castle of l'intagel, which bears his name is problematical though of the very great antiquity of the fortress there our be no doubt; but the idea is one to take the fancy even of a prossic person, who stands on the castle height, now carpeted with turf and bright with the lovely blessoms of the sea pink, and looks from it over the wide expanse of restless sea and listens to the roar of its waves as they dash against the rocks beneath. The whole scene is so grand-so fitted to the history of the man for whom Excalibur was forged beneath the waves by fairy fingers. The outer works of the castle are built on perpendicular cliffs on the mainland, but the principal fortress is on a wild headland projecting into the sea and separated by a wide chasm from the mainland. The two parts are said to have been connected at one time by a drawbridge, but no trace of such an erection new remains. Indeed, little of the castle itself is in existence—a few crumbling walls pierced with loopholes for the discharge of arrows, two or three bold archways and a en il ght of steps here and there being all that remain of this aged fortress.

> PILFERING OF FRENCH SERVANTS -AD American lady died in a private hospital la Paris. She was well to do in the world, possessed a handsome wardrobe, and no icconsiderable amount of jewelry. When her trucks were ferwarded to her friends every priie'e of any value had disappeared. There was not a piece of jewelry of any Lind to be found, not even her water. All smaller articles, such as laces, handkerebiefs, stockings, etc., were mission. Some hours had undoubtedly been permitted to elapse between the time of her death and that of the affixing of the seals, and the time had been made good use of. Then there was a case that showed an audigity at piffering alto gether uscommon, even on the part of a French servant, which took pices at one of the fishionable Parisian betels some time ago. Αt American lady, who was in delicate health, but who was by no means considered an invalid either by her friends or hersell, died suddenly from some malady of the heart during the temperary absence of hey husband in America. This lady possessed a head of hair of newonted luxuriance and beauty, the long, think tresses | TERS .- The republicans of this city formally she stood up, although she was by no means a short woman. When the body was prepared for interment a far hours after her sudden de- and F. E. Corbett, secretary, at which there misc, every vertige of this marvelous hair had disappeared, and it was with difficulty that a is proposed to keep the hearquarters open friend of the famil, who was present contrived night and day, and for this purpose a colored to fil a levet as a relie for the absent husband. | man named Henry Wilson was elected juniter. Suspicion naturally pointed to the faverite French maid of the diemsed as the perpetrator were other persons who had acoust to the room where the body lay, and the verdict, as is usual in such cases when occurring to Americans abreat, was-no redress. - Philadelephia Tele greph. Paris Leiter.

A Gardeld and Arthur flag role is to be FACTORY ry, it is the healthiest place on the American raised on the officer, between King and minent. The swamp is entirely of green Prince streets.

LOCAL MATTERS.

PERSONAL -Mr. James E. Waddey, mister mechanic of the Virginia Midland Railroad Company, who went to Altoons, Pa., several wocks ago on business connected with the road, has returned home. While at Altoona, he ex amined two engines which the l'ennsylvania road has for sale, and which the Virginia Midland road, it is thought, will purchase. Messrs. Wm. B. Smoot and John B. Fossett

lefe this morning for the White Sulphur grant woods in May, when the fragrance of General Fitz Lac, who has been sick for some the flowers mingles with the pungent scent days at the residence of his mother, Mrs. S. S. Lee, in this city, has recovered and is out again.

visit to friends in this city, left to day for War-

R., of Alexandria, Vo., was in the city yesterday on a short visit from Orkney Springs, to which place he will return to morrow. His health is very much improved."

Mr. R. P. Brain and mother are sammering in Loudoun county.

Miss Pattie Care, of Fauquier, is visiting friends in this city.
Rev. Dr. Bullock left to day for Bultimore

to attend a meeting of the committee on for eign and domestic missions of the Southern Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Joseph Broders, of this city, is visiting

her daughter Mrs. Moore, at Champagne, Ill. General R. L T. Beale, of Westmoreland, made an able and elequent speech at Brents steamer Arrowsmith.

THE DROWNING YESTERDAY, -The body of the colored man, Nelson Shepherd, who was drowned yesterday evening at olr. F.A. Reed's wharf, as mentioned in the Gezette, was recovered last night about 8 o'clock by Mesers, Jos. Davis, Wm. Davis and Richard Lawrence, and carried to the house of his mother, on north St. Asaph street, where the tuneral took place this afternoon. The man, while engaged in unloading ice from the schooner Jacob M. Haskell, fell from the ice shute, some six or eight feet high, and, striking the wharf in his on name of Berns. descent, it is supposed that when he touched the water, he was in an unconscious condition, for he sank never to tise again. Some think that the man's neck was broken by the fall. One thing is certain, that every effort was made to recover the body as soon as possible both by Mr. Reed and the crew of the vessel, the boat having been pushed off from the wharf three times, and the captain, who was absent at the time of the accident, said last night, in a conversation, that if the vessel had been towed out in the stream, as some of the crowd requested, the body would have been carried out in the river with it, and the recovery delayed for sayeral days and probably longer. The mate of the vessel said that of all the colored men in the crowd on the wharf, he was struck by the fact, that not one of them appeared to assist in recovering the body of one of their own race.

Society Notes -The Washington Sunday

Herald says;
Mr.eW. E. Chandlee and family, of this city, are spending the summer at Springdalo, Loudoun county, Va.
Mr. Harry Whiting and family leave to morrow for Berryville, Va., to spend the month of

August, The venerable village of Leonardtown, in Southern Maryland, is becoming quite a summer resort and has its gay season like other watering placa.

The marriage of Dr. Charles Avery Deremus, eldest son of Professor R. Cgion Doremus, to Miss Carrie Ward, daughter of Mrs. George W. Ward, of Warrenton, Va., will take place next Wednesday in Ascensien Church.

Mrs. Thornton and Miss Kate Hurkamp, of Fredericksburg, Va, who have been visiting Mrs. T. L. Cropley, of Georgotown, will leave for home on Tuesday. During the stay of these ladies in town they have made hosts of friends, especially with the Potemac Boat Club mer and their early return will be anxiously awaited. A correspondent from the Warrenton Springs

writes: 'Of the two hundred and lifty guests now here a great majority are from Washington and Balimore. The position of handsomes married lady is in dispute between Mrs. Buck The position of handsomest of the latter city, and Mrs. Ralph Walsh, wife of the resident physician. The swellest young lady, Miss Montgomery, of New Orleans and Washington."

OUTRAGEOUS CONDUCT.-Complaint was made to one of the city magistrates yesterday of outrageous conduct on the part of a young negro man by the mother of a colored girl named Martha Washington, who lives at the upper end of Dake street. The mother complains that her daughter was returning from her service place, where a party had been in progress, late the other night, and having drank some wine, which she was not in the habit of doing, before starting out, it made her drunk. Two colored men seeing the condition of the girl, volunteered to accompany her home, but one of them, a cousin of the girl, said he would take charge of her, and the other left them. When alone, the man having her in charge took advantage of the condition of the girl, and committed an assault upon her. The mother asked for a warrant for the arrest of the man, but the magistrate informed her that the girl would have to make her own complaint, and the girl not as yet baving made her appearance, the matter remains at a stand still.

Police Irens -The following cases were disposed of this mercing at police beadquarters: Samuel Jackson, colored, one of the parties engaged in the assault on the colored band a week or two ago, was fined \$5, and in default of the payment of the fine, sent to the chain gang for thirty days. Wm. Douglas, colored, for keeping a deg without a license, was also fixed \$5.

Two small boys, for fighting on the streets, were fined \$2.50 cach, and discharged, the Mayor taking occasion to state that he would bereafter fine bass the same amount he assessed against men for disorderly conduct.

Ida Johnson, colored, for abusive and threatening language toward Jennie West, also colored, was sent to jail for thirty days, by Justice Thompson, yesterday evening.

OPENING OF THE REPUBLICAN HEADQUARopened their beadquarters, on King street, last night, where a meeting of the city republican club was held, with I. C. O'Neal in the chair. were present about seventy five members. It Judge Westel W. Willoughby was invited to deliver an address before the club next Menday night. This is the first regular republican headquarters ever opened in Alexandria. The club will hold a ratification meeting in front of the postoffice in about two weeks, at which Secretary John Sherman has accepted an invitation to speak.

A Hancock and English flag pole was raised yesterday evening by the boys at the upper end of King street, assisted by Mr. M. Schuler, and a flag twelve feet long was thrown to the breeze.

So bbls No. 1 and FAMILY ROE HERRING. 25 haif bbis No. 1 HERRING, and 25 his SHAD ROE, in store and for sale by 167 W. A. JOHNSON & CO.

A WASHINGTONIAN ON THE FREE BRIDGE. A writer in the Washington Star, in defending the right of the District to organize political clubs, raise flag poles, &c., says: "As inde-pendent freemen we, of this District, claim the right to further our cause by all honorable means. And, for example, is it not important to this District to have a Representative chosen from the adjacent district in Virginia who will rid us of the frightful toll charged for driving and walking over the Aqueduct bridge a Georgetown. O! no, Mr. B., let the clubs rally

and the poles be raised, and ratification meet-

ings be held; the noise will go into the States.

AN ENORMOUS SWORD FISH .- Chief Eq. gineer Wm. Moore and Mr. George Sheckells, of the steamer John W. Thompson, while fishing in Broton's Bay, on the Lower Potomac, Saturday last, captured a sword fish, the length of which was twenty two feet, including the sword, which was four feet long. It took almost the entire crew of the steamer to haul the monster ashere. This is rather a "fishy" story, but it is wouched for by the officers of the boat, and a note from one of them says that "it (the tish), after being exhibited on the steamer for a few days, will be presented to the Smithsonian

Lastitute. THE CANAL DIFFICULTIES, -Affairs on the canal are still in a very unsettled condition. Three men have been arrested and lodged in the Hagerstown jail, charged with stoning boats at the "Shades of Death," near Sharpsburg. A canal boat belonging to Mrs. Elizabeth Snyder, of Williamsport, was stoned on Thursday night last. The stoning occurred whilst the boat was rising in the lock at that place. Who the parties were that committed the stoning is ville yesterday for Hancock and English. He a mystery. There was also on the same night left here this morning for his home on the a boat stoned near the bridge that crosses the canal at that place.

DIVORCE.—An application for a divorce has been filed in Washington by Virginia B. Wat kins from Peter II. Watkins, to whom she was married in 1871, and by whom she has had two children. She charges that he is ill-natured, of cruel temper, that he kicked the tea table over on her, threw her out of doors, and struck her, &c., that he has not supported his family for four years, and is now in Fairfax county, Vs. She asks absolute divorce, the custody of the children, and the right to resume her maid-

PULLET Eggs .- Mr. Charles R. Hooff sent in this morning, from the extensive hennery on his place, on Seminary Hill, near this city, a basket of fresh eggs, of medium size, laid by pullets of this year's growth. Mr. Hooff has the greatest and best variety of fowls of any one in this section of county and the eggs referred to show how prolific the hens are.

LOCAL BREVITIES. A horse belonging to Mr. John Bladen died

suddenly yesterday morning. Robt. Stickney's circus will be here on the 18th inst., and Coup's circus on the 23d.

A large crowd attended the Red Men's excurion to Marshall Hall to-day. The schooner Jane Emmerson, from Fall River, Mass., was hauled up at the ship yard

vesterday for repairs. A. W. Harris and R. F. Tar cil will address a Garfield and Arthur meeting at Fairfax C. H. tonight.

A large excursion party from the neighborrived in this city yesterday evening on their way to Norfolk. A hive of bees from Maryland swarmed on a

pile of lumber at Perry, Smoot & Co.'s deck Sunday, and they were successfully hived yes terday morning. The work of laying the ground wave around the new schooner at the ship yard will be commenc-

ed this week, and it is understood that the ves-sol will be launched about the middle of next weak. The reported lusus nature at Hamilton, Loudoun county, Va, is said by persons who have sen it to be no more than an unusually fine locking bull calf, and not to be, as stated, half

calf and half dog. From Mr. George Richards' watermelon depot, on north St. Asaph street, we to-day re-ceived a melon, just off the ice, and deliciously flavored. Mr. R. keeps the best varieties always on ice, ready to be eaten.

Preparations are being made by all the democratic ward clubs for participation in the parade on the evening of the 12th. The First Ward Club held a meeting last night, and the hall of the Second Ward Club will be open every fresh and desirable goods. An early examinanight during the week.

There is great complaint of the condition of the bridge across Hoff's run, upper end of King street. A gentleman in the city to day remarked that if the bridge is not repaired Alexandria county will be called on to pay damages that will amount to much more than the repairs will cost.

It is said that the launching of the new steam r Excelsior built for the Potomac Steamboal Co. in Delawaro, which is intended to run in connection with the R., F. & P. R. R., may revive the proceedings instituted by the State wo years ago to prevent the accomplishment of that object.

Mr. Joseph Cawood, who has recently been in King George county, says that the like of the corn crop in all the Northern Neck of Virginia was never seen before; that the corn stalks look like trees, and that the poorest land will make a crop that would have done credit to the best in ormer years.

While the dispatch conveying the sad news of he death of Mrs. James Green to friends in Washington was being sent by one telegraph operator, yesterday alternoon, a dispatch was received by another operator informing Mrs. Stephen A. Green, the daughter in law of Mrs. Green, of the death of her meco. Miss Henderson, in that city, both deaths occurring at the same time.

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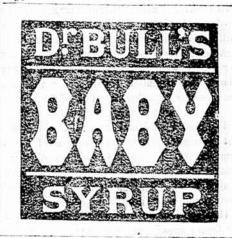
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